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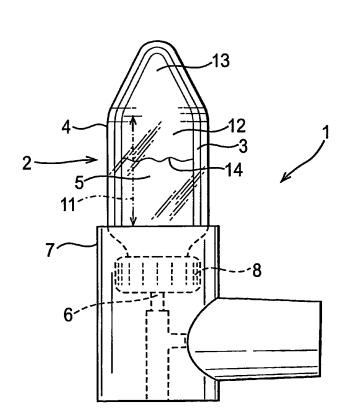
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(57) Abstract: A dispenser (1) has a source (2) of medicament with a transparent reservoir (3) of glass sheathed in a transparent plastics material shrink wrapping (4), which provides an enclosure against explosion of the glass in the event of accidental breakage of the glass. The reservoir contains not only a liquid medicament (5), but also a gaseous propellant liable to cause the glass to explode if broken. A valve (6) of the source is within a body (7) of the dispenser. The valve is attached to the reservoir by a crimped on aluminium sleeve (8). The reservoir is parallel (11) through much of its length, where it has a comparatively large cross-section of its substance space (12), but has a tapered tip (13) remote from the valve (6), where it has a comparatively smaller and decreasing cross section. With the dispenser inverted the level (14) of the medicament (5) is within the tapered tip when the medicament is close to being used up. As use of the dispenser continues, the level falls progressively faster, giving the user an indication that a fresh dispenser will soon be required. Typically the user will take a fresh dispenser with him when the level is such as to indicate that the daily number of doses will exhaust the reservoir.

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